Dear House Education Policy committee,

March 9, 2021

I strongly oppose the amendment of the test reporting requirements for MN homeschoolers. As the teacher and principal of my school I am dedicated to the best education for my children. I fulfill the requirements to test my children. With a dyslexic and a gifted child in my home I choose the testing that is tailored to my children's grade level achievements to insure adequate progress toward our school's graduation requirements. Our school ensures competitive standards for our children. Having to do more paperwork to submit test scores will not achieve anything except to bog down our local school office that is already overworked. I know them personally and I know they feel that they have better things to do than to take time filing and looking over my children's test scores.

I am not sure what gave someone the idea that this new requirement would be helpful for anything. Who would be sitting and looking to see if these test scores are adequate and then what? I do not think the homeschool community as a large has given any reason to make such monitoring necessary. We do quite well to make sure our children excel and are prepared for college and society.

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